

**CHAPTER 25—NATIONAL HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS AND RECORDS COMMISSION**

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AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-365, § 5, July 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 825, amended analysis generally, inserting “; vacancies; meetings” after “tenure” in item 2501, substituted “staff; transportation expenses” for “editorial and clerical staff; reimbursement of members for transportation expenses; honorarium” in item 2503 and “historical publications and records programs; authorization for appropriations” for “collection, reproduction, and publication of documentary historical source material” in item 2504, and reenacting items 2502, 2505, and 2506 without change.

1984—Pub. L. 98-497, title I, §107(b)(12)(B), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2287, struck out item 2507 “Report to Congress”.

1974—Pub. L. 93-536, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1734, inserted “AND RECORDS” after “PUBLICATIONS” in chapter heading.

CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in sections 2111, 2901, 3107 of this title; title 25 section 450j.

**§ 2501. Creation; composition; appointment and tenure; meetings**

(a) The National Historical Publications and Records Commission shall consist of 15 members as follows:

(1) the following ex officio members:

(A) the Archivist of the United States, who shall be chairman;

(B) the Librarian of Congress (or an alternate designated by the Librarian);

(C) one Senator, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(D) one Representative, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(E) one member of the judicial branch of the Government, appointed by the Chief Justice of the United States;

(F) one representative of the Department of State to be appointed by the Secretary of State; and

(G) one representative of the Department of Defense to be appointed by the Secretary of Defense;

(2) one member from each of the following organizations, appointed by the governing council or board of the respective organization:

(A) the American Historical Association;

(B) the Organization of American Historians;

(C) the Society of American Archivists;

(D) the American Association for State and Local History;

(E) the Association for Documentary Editing; and

(F) the National Association for Government Archives and Records Administrators; and

(3) two other members, outstanding in the fields of the social or physical sciences, the arts, or archival or library science, appointed by the President of the United States.

(b)(1) The members appointed under subsection (a) shall be appointed for terms of 4 years, except that—

(A) a member appointed under subsection (a)(1)(D) shall be appointed for a term of 2 years; and

(B) the Archivist and the Librarian of Congress are permanent ex officio members.

(2) A member may continue to serve after the expiration of a term until a successor has been appointed, but not to exceed one year.

(c) The Commission shall meet at least annually and at call of the Chairman.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1293; Pub. L. 92-546, §1(a), Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1155; Pub. L. 93-536, §1(b), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1735; Pub. L. 96-98, §2(b), Nov. 1, 1979, 93 Stat. 731; Pub. L. 98-497, title I, §107(b)(9), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2287; Pub. L. 100-365, §2(a), July 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 823.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §§391 (part), 393(a) (June 30, 1949, ch. 288, title I, §104, 63 Stat. 381, and title V, §503(a) as added Sept. 5, 1950, ch. 849, §6(d), 64 Stat. 583).

This section incorporates only the last sentence of paragraph (b) of former section 391. The balance of that section will be found in sections 1506, 2102, 2301, and 2902 of the revision.

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-365 substituted “appointment and tenure; meetings” for “appointment and tenure” in section catchline, and amended text generally, revising and restating as subsecs. (a) to (c) provisions formerly contained in a single undesignated paragraph.

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 struck out “The authority of the Administrator of General Services under section 754 of title 40 to regroup, transfer, and distribute functions within the General Services Administration does not extend to the Commission or its functions.”

1979—Pub. L. 96-98 inserted “and Records” after “Publications”.

1974—Pub. L. 93-536 inserted provision relating to appointment and term of two members of Society of American Archivists, and two members of American Association for State and Local History.

1972—Pub. L. 92-546 provided for two additional members of the Organization of American Historians to be appointed for terms of four years by Executive Board of Organization, one to be appointed for a term of two years and his successors for a term of four years.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Section 2(b) of Pub. L. 100-365 provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall be effective on January 1, 1989, and shall apply to the appointment of any member on the expiration of a predecessor’s term as follows:

“(1) The next two members appointed to such Commission after such date shall be appointed pursuant to section 2501(a)(2)(E) and (F) of title 44, United States Code, as amended by this section.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.